

Proposition 28: Arts and Music in Schools Funding

Annual Report

Fiscal Year 2024-25

Name: Kings Canyon Joint Unified

CDS Code: 1062265-0000000

Allocation Year: 2024-25, 2023-24

1. Narrative description of the Prop 28 arts education program(s) funded. (2500 character limit).

Kings Canyon Unified School District (KCUSD) is committed to building a robust and inclusive Visual and Performing Arts (VAPA) program that spans all grade levels. With a long-term vision to expand offerings and deepen instruction, the District is investing in the growth of its VAPA infrastructure to ensure all students have access to high-quality arts education. Proposition 28 funds help support a wide range of VAPA opportunities for KCUSD students beginning in the early grades. Students as early as 1st grade are introduced to traditional visual arts both during the school day as well as after school through "paint nights", giving them opportunities to explore creativity and build foundational artistic skills. Students can also participate in theater throughout the school year and the District's summer musical program, which provides an immersive experience in acting, singing, and stage production. Elementary schools also offer oral interpretation programs where students practice expressive reading and performance, helping to build confidence, fluency, and communication skills. Finally, folkloric dance opportunities have been made available to elementary grade students as well. These early exposure experiences are designed to spark interest and cultivate talent in the arts from a young age, while also reinforcing literacy and critical thinking skills. At the middle school level, VAPA offerings expand to include choir, band, and theater, allowing students to build upon their earlier experiences and begin to specialize in their areas of interest. These programs not only provide artistic and technical instruction but also emphasize collaboration, discipline, and creativity. Students perform in concerts and productions, offering authentic opportunities to showcase their learning and engage with their communities. By high school, students have access to a broad and diverse array of VAPA pathways, including multiple instrumental and vocal music ensembles, drama productions, traditional choir, and dance programs. These offerings are supported by highly skilled educators and increasingly improved facilities across the District. High school students are provided with opportunities to perform at community events, festivals, and showcases, further strengthening their skills and confidence. Through sustained investment in VAPA and the support of Prop 28 funding, KCUSD ensures students have meaningful access to the arts as part of a well-rounded education.

2. Number of full-time equivalent teachers (certificated). 1.0

3. Number of full-time equivalent personnel (classified). 1.0

4. Number of full-time equivalent teaching aides. 0.0

5. Number of students served. 9,731

6. Number of school sites providing arts education. 19

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